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1. WE CONSIDER ALTERNATIVE 3B - I.E. LOAN OF US ANALYST
AT US EXPENSE TO SHAPE TECHNICAL CENTER (STC) AS BEST
METHOD TO PURSUE US GOALS FOR AIRCRAFT PROTECTION. NEXT
BEST ALTERNATIVE (3C) WOULD BE TO WAIT FOR COMPLETION OF
AWACS STUDIES, BUT THIS COULD MEAN LOSS OF MOMENTUM FOR
CONTINUATION OF AIRCRAFT PROTECTION PROGRAM DURING THE
1975-79 INFRASTRUCTURE PROGRAM. WE FEEL THAT RESULTS OF
UNILATERAL US STUDY OF THIS PROBLEM IN THE US BY US PER-
SONNEL TO PROMOTE US GOALS WOULD NOT BE ACCEPTED BY
OTHERS.

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2. STEPS WILL BE TAKEN TO MAKE AVAILABLE TO THE STC THE SERVICES OF A US ANALYST FOR A PERIOD OF UP TO ONE YEAR. IN ADDITION, IT MAY BE POSSIBLE TO PROVIDE SOME DATA FROM ONGOING US STUDIES. YOU SHOULD ENCOURAGE FRG AND UK MAKING SIMILAR PERSONNEL LOAN, BUT US OFFER IS NOT CONTINGENT ON THIS. KISSINGER

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